

Kittitas County Parks & Recreation District No. 1
Meeting Minutes
15:00 May 11, 2022 - Cle Elum City Hall

Commissioners in attendance: Ira Astrachan, Keegan Fengler, Lucy Temple, Kent Verbeck.

Minutes of April 2022: Reviewed, no comments. Unanimously approved.

Finances: Kent stated there has been no change to the finances. Keegan is paying for the google account and six months of Post Office Box fees.

UKC Community Rec Center Alliance: Claire Nicholls presented a proposal to explore the possibility of opening a dialog between their organization and KPRD1 and how we may be able to work together. An “informal agreement of intent” to discuss further cooperation. Moved to sign the agreement (Keegan), Second (Ira), passed unanimously.

Insurance: Kent states the policy is in hand, runs through August 2022 and costs approx. \$2500/year. It is mostly liability insurance for board members.

Sno Park: Kent reviewed a letter indicating Wa State Parks offering to lease the SnoPark for 5 years at a rate of \$2800/year. No decision needed at this time. Discussion about if this was fair / reasonable, comparison to other entities that own Sno Parks, the lack of increasing rates, the vagueness as to what is provided -i.e. toilets, maintenance, repair. No word on who owes and how much for previous season’s usage of Sno Park. Keegan and Lucy to look for invoice and/or proof that KPRD was/was not paid (email search possible). Discussion on Conditional Use Permit of the park - hours, fees, etc. Lucy will investigate/research CUP issues.. Kent will place a lock on Sno Park since it is closed for the season.

Web Page/ Facebook: Lucy paid \$56 for a WordPress template for the web page. Hosting is free via Matt. Aliza will be asked if she would like to take on further development of the website given her expertise in this area. Pictures scheduled for 18 May, Flagpole Park. Ira to collect bios and edit for future publication on website - he would like them by the last week of May in order to discuss at the next scheduled meeting.

Possible Future Projects: Lucy expanded on previously presented ideas on possible projects - Coal Mine Trail with interpretive signs, Youth Sports Programs, and Progress Path east end extension into Roslyn. Discussion on how a better organized KPRC with a defined mission and some good press could help reset the image the public may have of KPRD1. Website and media story could be first steps to “rebranding”.

Public Comments: Gary Berndt in attendance, thanked the members for stepping up and volunteering to get KPRD1 up and running again.

Next meeting is scheduled for June 1 at 3:00.

This meeting adjourned @ 16:45